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Nothing New on Oswald

Soviet File Is No Help

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The Soviet consular file on Lee Harvey Oswald, presumed slayer of President Kennedy, sheds no light on the assassination, it was learned today.

Soviet Ambassador Anatoly F. Dobrynin turned over the file to Secretary of State Dean Rusk Saturday. It was sent to the Federal Bureau of Investigation where it still is being studied.

But it has been learned authoritatively that the whole portfolio contains no new information. Mainly, it consists of Oswald's application for a Soviet visa when he went to Russia after his discharge from the Marine Corps in 1959, his work permit, residence papers and copies of

his marriage license. It also contains his application for permission to return to the United States in 1962, and Soviet documents permitting him to leave the country.

WILLINGNESS

The Russians apparently intended to demonstrate their willingness to help solve the slaying. They were not required to turn the papers over, and this Government had not requested them.

As a key to Oswald's possible motives, one source said, "They aren't worth a hill of beans."

The FBI still is investigating the Kennedy assassination and the subsequent murder of Oswald in the Dallas police station by a night club operator, Jack Ruby. It had hoped to complete its work last

week, but there have been delays.

The FBI conclusions will go first to Attorney General Robert Kennedy, and then to President Johnson. Mr. Johnson is expected to forward the report as well as the Soviet file to a seven-man commission headed by Chief Justice Earl Warren. This group was named last week to "satisfy itself that the truth is known" about both shootings.

Apparently still unanswered are two highly relevant questions—where Oswald got the money to finance a trip to Mexico City in late September and early October, and the whereabouts of a man identifying himself as Bernard Weissman who paid for a hate advertisement in a morning newspaper on the day Mr. Kennedy arrived in Dallas.

IN DEBT

It has been learned that Oswald was in debt, and had not paid any rent on his \$8-a-week room in Dallas. But investigators found \$150 in cash in the room after Oswald was arrested.

Authorities said Oswald spent little, and seldom paid his bills. They said he also drew unemployment compensation during his long periods without work and saved much of that. However, still unanswered was how he could finance his many travels.

Progress of the investigation has been delayed because it has been necessary to check on numerous false leads, it was learned.

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